

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed April 25, 2005, claims 8 and 12 were noted as allowed. In order to allow these claims to pass to issue, the Applicant has canceled claims 5-7 and 9-11, without prejudice to the subject matter therein.

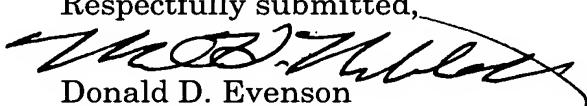
In view of the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully requests issuance of a Notice of Allowance for claims 8 and 12.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #028987.53273US).

Respectfully submitted,

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